

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please REPLACE the paragraph [0013] on pages 8 and 9 of the Applicant's specification with the following amended paragraph:

Furthermore, Patent Documents Nos. 9 and 10 cite a number of elements, including Al, Si, V, Cr, Mn, Ga, Zr, Nb, Mo, Ag, Hf, Ta, W, Pt, Au and Pb, which can be added to a nanocomposite magnet.

Patent Document No. 1: Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open Publication No. 59-46008

Patent Document No. 2: Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open Publication No. 60-9852

Patent Document No. 3: Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open Publication No. 1-7502

Patent Document No. 4: Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open Publication No. 3-261104

Patent Document No. 5: Japanese Patent No. 2727505

Patent Document No. 6: Japanese Patent No. 2727506

Patent Document No. 7: PCT International Publication No. WO ~~003/03403~~ 003/03403

Patent Document No. 8: Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open Publication No. 2002-175908

Patent Document No. 9: Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open Publication No. 2002-285301

Patent Document No. 10: Japanese Patent No. 3297676

Non-Patent Document No. 1: R. Coehoorn et al., J. de Phys, C8, 1988, pp. 669-670

Non-Patent Document No. 2: W. C. Chan et. al., "The Effects of Refractory Metals on the Magnetic Properties of  $\alpha$ -Fe/R<sub>2</sub>Fe<sub>14</sub>B-type Nanocomposites", IEEE Trans. Magn. No.5, INTERMAG. 99, Kyongju, Korea, pp. 3265-3267, 1999.